



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Veronica A. Nelson et al. Art Unit : 2861  
Serial No. : 09/820,427 Examiner : Hsieh, Shih Wen  
Filed : March 28, 2001  
Title : HOT-MELT SEAL FOR NOZZLES ON PRINT CARTRIDGES AND METHOD

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to Examination, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this Amendment.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

(X) Response/Amendment  Petition to extend time to respond  
(X) New fee as calculated below  Supplemental Declaration  
( ) No additional fee (Address envelope to "Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment")  
( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_  (fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY						
(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS	40	MINUS	24	= 16	X \$18	\$ 288
INDEP. CLAIMS	7	MINUS	9	= 0	X \$84	\$ 0
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$410.00	3RD MONTH \$930.00	4TH MONTH \$1450.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 288

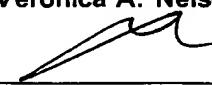
Charge \$ 288 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

**Veronica A. Nelson et al.**

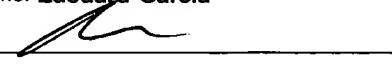
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